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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of) Group Art Unit: 1635
L. Cowser *et al.*) Examiner: J. Zara
Appln. No. 09/854,883)
Filed: May 14, 2001)
For: ANTISENSE MODULATION OF) February 7, 2003
PTP1B EXPRESSION)
Box Non-Fee Amendment)
Commissioner for Patents)
Washington, DC 20231)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in timely response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2002.
Please amend the specification and claims as set forth below, and enter the
accompanying Terminal Disclaimers (s) and Supplemental Information Disclosure
Statement.

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